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Attached is:

a response after Final Rejection dated

X a response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2001

X a Preliminary Amendment

a Petition for an extension of time

X Other: Statement Under 37 CFR §1.821; Sequence Listing; Diskette

Fees: For claims if required and/or other fees as shown below:

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In the event that a petition for extension of time is required to be submitted herewith and that a separate petition is not submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time of as many months as are required to render this submission timely. Any fee is authorized above.

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Respectfully submitted.

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- U.S. Basic National Fee
- Priority Document
- Biochemical Sequence Diskette
- Biochemical Sequence Listing

The following items MUST be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 for the following reason(s):
 - The computer readable form that has been filed with this application has been found to be damaged and/or unreadable as indicated on the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report. A substitute computer readable form must be submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.825(d).
 - APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE:
 - An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) of the "Sequence Listing."
 - A statement that the contents of the paper or compact disc and the computer readable form are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).
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Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended up to

a maximum of six months.

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A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.

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